**January 2, 2008** 

The Honorable Susan Golding, Chairperson MLPA Blue Ribbon Task Force C/o California Resource Agency 1416 Ninth Street, Suite 1311 Sacramento, CA 95814

**RE: Public access for fishing** 

Dear Ms. Golding and Blue Ribbon Task Force members:

As an abalone diver, coastal resident and conservationist grandfather who wants future generations to be able to enjoy the ocean and its resources, I urge you to keep areas of the ocean with public shore access open for recreational fishing and diving.

One such area is The Sea Ranch. It will be damaging to recreational fishing and diving, the local economy and refocus fishing/diving to other public access areas which are already overfished, if waters near The Sea Ranch and its 6 public access points are made unavailable to recreational fishermen and divers buy creating SMRs there.

It makes more sense to have an SMR south of Sea Ranch, where there is no public access except by boat from long distances. Those of us who do not have boats and want to fish and dive from the shore would like to have places where we can safely pursue our passions.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely.

Jack Likins Co-Producer

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